

shape, enabling him to start at least 30 games in 20 of his 22 seasons.

Sutton started all but 18 of the 774 career games he pitched, which has led many current and former alltime greats to refer to him as one of the most durable and consistent players of all time. He ranks second alltime to Cy Young in games started.

Don has pitched in over 100 innings through 15 games of postseason play. He pitched in a 10–2 win for the Milwaukee Brewers in the final game of the 1982 season to defeat the Baltimore Orioles and win the American League Eastern Division title.

The tall, lean right-hander put away many of his opponents by throwing his feared fastball and signature sweeping curveball. There have been many drawn comparisons by the games top players, writers, and announcers, who have compared him to other legendary pitchers such as Bert Blyleven and Gaylord Perry. To the hearts and minds of Northwest Floridians, Don will always be second to none.

Sutton came full circle in 1988 when he retired in a Dodgers uniform. This spring, Don will begin his 15th season with the Braves, continuing his highly successful career as a broadcaster.

Don is also known as a great family man and showed his pride during his Cooperstown induction when his final thanks went to his wife, Mary, and their daughter, Jackie. Don was surrounded by many of his close friends, former teammates and coaches, including one of his best coaches, his father Howard Sutton, who taught him how to pitch.

On behalf of the United States Congress, I would like to recognize this special person, Don Sutton, for the example he has set in the sports world, his country, and for Northwest Florida. I offer my sincere thanks for all that he has done for Northwest Florida and the United States of America.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHARLES G.
HAIGHT

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 21, 2004

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, Spc. Charles G. Haight, 23, of Fort Lewis, Washington, died on December 26, 2003 in Iraq. Spc. Haight was a member of the Army's 14th Engineer Battalion, 555th Engineer Group based in Washington, and was killed when his vehicle struck an improvised explosive device. He is survived by his wife Michelle and his 10-month-old son of Fort Lewis, Washington. He is the son of Donald G. and Lilian Haight of Piedmont, Alabama.

Charles Haight was eager to serve his country, Mr. Speaker, and dreamed of becoming a nurse after college. He attended Pleasant Valley High School in Calhoun County, and was known for his musicianship in the band and his athletic ability on the football field. Like every other soldier, he dutifully left behind his family and loved ones to serve our country overseas.

Words cannot express the sense of sadness we have for his family, and for the gratitude

our country feels for his service. Spc. Haight died serving not just the United States, but the entire cause of liberty, on a noble mission to help spread the cause of freedom in Iraq and liberate an oppressed people from tyrannical rule.

We will forever hold him closely in our hearts, and remember his sacrifice and that of his family as a remembrance of his bravery and willingness to serve.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the House's remembrance on this mournful day.

IN HONOR OF THE GREATER JACKSON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL DINNER AND CITIZEN AWARDS

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 21, 2004

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise now to recognize an important celebration in my district and the individuals who are being recognized for their special contributions to the community. The Greater Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce, under the leadership of President Susan Milhoan, is hosting its annual awards dinner to honor its 95th year, in addition to the anniversary of the founding of the Republican Party in Jackson in 1854, and the founding of the City of Jackson 175 years ago. At this celebration, several men and women will be recognized with a variety of awards for personal achievement, character, and service to the community.

The Athena Award recognizes women who demonstrate excellence in their profession, assist other women in realizing their leadership potential, and contribute their time and efforts to improving the community. Many D. Otis, owner of Financial Sales and Seminars, is this year's winner, and her involvement in the community includes the Rotary Club, Disability Connections, and her church.

This year's Small Business Person of the Year is Al Cavin, owner of Great Northern Sentry Company. Since founding his business in 1991, Al has expanded the company from a humble three employees to five separate divisions. Al is an expert and author on security matters and holds seats on the Board of Directors of the National Council of Investigators and Security Specialists and the Michigan Council of Private Investigators. He is also President of the Michigan Contract Security Association.

The 2004 Youth Citizen of the Year is Anthony Ramsey, Jr., a senior at Jackson High School. In addition to being an honor roll student and a member of the football and track teams, Anthony has made time to serve on the United Way Teen Advisory Panel, the Jackson Community Foundation Youth Advisory Committee, and volunteer at the Lily Missionary Church that he attends with his family.

Finally, the Citizen of the Year award goes to Maclay "Mac" Gwinn. After retiring from Consumer's Energy 20 years ago, Mac has given his time and efforts to countless community organizations including the Alzheimer's Association, the Jackson County Historical So-

ciety, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and the Jackson Kiwanis Club. He is the Big Sisters Big Brothers Board President and he has his own "little brother." Mac also helped form a support group for men who care for loved ones stricken with Alzheimer's disease. Other Distinguished Citizens of the Year include Nancy Seydell, Steve Volker, Lisa Lazaroff, Mary L. Miller, and Bob Richardson.

I am very pleased to stand here today before my colleagues in the U.S. Congress to recognize these important milestones in the Jackson community as well as all of these great citizens. Each person is a wonderful role model who has expended a great deal of effort on behalf of the community in a selfless and humble manner. I challenge us all to strive to match their level of commitment and dedication.

COMMENDING SCOTT MALAN

HON. PHIL ENGLISH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 21, 2004

Mr. ENGLISH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend a true advocate for Pennsylvania's hospitals and patients. For over twenty-five years Scott Malan has tirelessly advocated for increasing the quality of health care available to Americans. He has done so quite successfully, Mr. Speaker.

Most recently, Mr. Malan served as vice president for legislative services at the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania. In this capacity, Mr. Malan directed federal advocacy campaigns, saving Pennsylvania hospitals hundreds of millions of dollars and increasing the quality of care for Pennsylvanians. Mr. Speaker, I had the pleasure of working with Mr. Malan on numerous initiatives over the past few years. In fact, we worked closely to include in the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 provisions which will ensure that Pennsylvania hospitals in rural areas are able to continue to provide quality care to Pennsylvanians. We also worked to include provisions to increase indirect graduate medical education payments to hospitals in order to ensure Americans have access to the most innovative care available. Mr. Speaker, due to Mr. Malan's diligent efforts and the steadfast work of the Pennsylvania congressional delegation, these provisions will be signed into law today by President Bush.

While it may seem, Mr. Speaker, that Mr. Malan is at the top of his game, in fact he is currently soaring to new heights. Mr. Malan has brought the expertise and knowledge he has amassed over the past twenty-five years to Triad Strategies, one of Pennsylvania's largest government relations firms. While at Triad Strategies, Mr. Malan will undoubtedly continue to advance policies which will enrich the lives of every American by working to ensure affordable, quality health care in this country.

Mr. Speaker, I wish Mr. Malan the best in his future endeavors and thank him for the dedication he has displayed over the past years to making the lives of my constituents better.